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Lodi Rotary Celebrates St. Patrick's Day

Happy St.  
Patrick's Day



Welcome to March!

Over the last few weeks we have shared lunch with and seen our RYLA campers off to learn leadership and team-building skills. Thanks to Mike Smith for taking care of our kids and bringing them for a visit. Many of us shared a Valentine's Day Dinner and learned more about music and elderly patient care. The Board approved a \$3,000 gift to Vienna Convalescent Hospital

for the purchase of iPods, special hearing impaired headphones and music for their library. Thanks to Melanie Toutai for purchasing a throw blanket, for us, to accompany each iPod. Some of us trooped in to Rick's Pizza for February Date Night and gathered a little money for Polio Plus in the bargain!

Many of you have seen our club billboard, on Kettleman Lane, for Polio Awareness. Thanks again to Mark and Jan Chandler for being our club representatives, bringing awareness to the Lodi community that we are "this close" to ending Polio. Only two cases of Polio worldwide since January 1<sup>st</sup>. We will get there.



Get Your Green On for  
this St. Patrick's Day  
Video by our own Lodi  
Rotary Players



St. Patrick's Day  
Blessing

May green be the grass you  
walk on,  
May blue be the skies  
above you,  
May pure be the joys that  
surround you,  
May true be the hearts that  
love you. May your home  
be bright with cheer, May  
your cares all disappear,  
May contentment come  
your way,  
And may laughter fill your  
day.

Major Mark Thielenhouse, Salvation Army, visited us last week to give us a little history or the Corps and discuss their projects ongoing in Lodi.

We have some programs lined up in March, and you will need to come see us during our meetings to learn about our March schedule!

Thank you again for allowing me to be your President this year. It has been an honor.

Sherry

The Ever-So-Busy Witch

## Valentines Dinner



Rotarians were serenaded by the Lodi High Jazz Band at the recent Valentine Dinner.



## Lodi Rotary Remembers One of Their Own



Longtime Rotarian Ivern " Biff" Venazio Baffoni born July 6, 1930 to Anthony & Maria Baffoni -Died Jan. 27, 2017 at the age of 86 in Lodi. Biff is survived by his wife Dolores, his younger brother Roger and his wife Machie and his three children Neil, Steve and Lisa Baffoni.

## Lodi Rotary in the Spotlight



During January, 2017, the Lodi Rotary Club distributed student dictionaries to all the 3rd Grade students in the Lodi Unified School District north of Eight Mile Road. Pictured here are the 3rd Grade classes

of Reese Elementary School. In the rear are from right to left are Gay Hardwick, teacher; Bob Slayback, Rotarian; Sarina Smith, teacher; & Phyllis Jaegar. Not pictured is Susie Henecke. Students learned that the longest word in the English language has 1909 letters and Rotary is very close to eradicating polio in the world!

## Paul Harris Plus Pins Presented



## Coming Soon!

Lodi Rotary Clay Shoot 2017

THE DATE FOR THE CLUB'S SPORTING CLAY SHOOT AT BIRDS LANDING WILL BE MAY

**4! Thanks to Mark Chandler for setting this up for us.** Tickets will be \$100 per shooter. The day starts at 9:00 A.M. at Birds Landing Hunting Club, and includes 100 clays, ear and eye protection, and a terrific steak lunch. If you need a gun, they rent them there. Bring your shotgun and two boxes of shells, or you can purchase your shells there as well. We will need donations of beer and wine for lunch **AND** we will need a few raffle items and a few live auction items as well. We will liquor them up and get them to open their wallets! **Mike Hodge will be setting us up on Eventbrite** so shooters will be able to open our club website and sign up and pay for their tickets online. **Tickets will be purchased from the Lodi Rotary Club Foundation.**

## **Lodi Rotary Club Membership Roster**



Amador, Antonio (Tony)

Baffoni, Ivern (Biff)

Bahnsen, John (John)

Beckman, Nancy (Nancy)

Nancy Byer-Hauan (Nancy)

Bokides, Nick (Nick)

Borra, Stephen (Stephen)

Camper, Sue

Jan Chandler (Jan)

Chandler, Mark (Mark)

Corell, William L.  
(Bill)

Cotta, Joe A. (Joe)

Cotta, Sherry (Sherry)

Daegling, Eric (Eric)

Darling, Steven L.  
(Steve)

Davis, Eric G. (Greg)

Edwards, Craig (Craig)

Eklund, Richard

Elson, Jeni (Jeni)

Evans, William G.  
(Jerry)

Felton, Steven C.  
(Steve)

Fry, Jerry Jr. (Jerry)

Gilliland, Jack (Jack)

Hodge, Michael (Mike)

Holck, W. Douglas (Doug)

Hugo, Jerry D. (Jerry)

Huyett, William (Bill)

Ingrum, Daniel (Dan)

Kanegawa, Brian (Brian)

Karanidas, Nicholas

Kneeland, Tyrell (Ty)

Koepplin, Gary (Gary)

Lagorio, Dave (Dave)

Lenser, Philip G. (Phil)

Littlefield, Chris  
(Chris)

Thomas Lyon (Tom)

Macias, Mary

Mertz, Paul C. (Paul)

Mettler, Larry (Larry)

Mettler, Ronald H. (Ron)

Ochoa, Andrea

Patrick, Pat

**Sherwood, Phillip (Phil)**

Shinkle, John

Slayback, Robert D.  
(Bob)

Smith, Michael W. (Mike)

Snyde, Sally G. (Sally)

Stangeland, Kirk (Kirk)

Steinwert, Kent (Kent)

**Stewart, Mark**

Stokes, Thomas (Tom)

Suess, Virgil R.  
(Virgil)

Thompson, David G.  
(Dave)

Thompson, Jeffrey D.  
(Jeff)

Melanie Toutai

Tudor, John W.

Vierra, Vern J. (Vern)

Vilinskas, Jamie

Vilinskas, Ross

Weybret, Fred E. (Fred)